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B) TOKYO 6170

1. WORKING LEVELS OF DEPARTMENT AGREE WITH FONOFF THAT IT WOULD BE HIGHLY DESIRABLE TO AIM FOR SIGNATURE OF THE AGREEMENT BY THE SECRETARY AND THE FOREIGN MINISTER ON MAY 20 OR 21. WE HAVE THIS UNDER ACTIVE CONSIDERATION FOR FINAL APPROVAL. YOU MAY INFORM FONOFF THAT WE ARE PROCEEDING AD REFERENDUM FROM REF B, TO PREPARE FINAL TEXT OF ENGLISH AGREEMENT (EXCEPT FOR ARTICLE III ON WHICH OUR VIEWS FOLLOW) AND HOPE TO PROPOSE APPROPRIATE OCCASION FOR SIGNATURE WHEN SCHEDULES OF PRINCIPALS ARE FIRMED UP. ASSUME FONOFF CAN SEND WITH FONMIN THE AUTHENTICATED JAPANESE TEXTS. WE HOPE EMBASSY CAN ARRANGE FOR COPY OF JAPANESE TEXT TO BE MADE AVAILABLE TO DEPARTMENT, FOR COMPARISON WITH ENGLISH TEXT BY DEPARTMENT'S LANGUAGE SERVICES DIVISION. PERHAPS FONOFF COULD ARRANGE THIS THROUGH EMBASSY HERE.

2. EMBASSY MAY INFORM FONOFF THAT WE BELIEVE THIS TYPE OF BILATERAL WILL COMPLEMENT THE TYPE OF MULTILATERAL R&D ARRANGEMENTS WE SEEK IN THE CONTEXT OF THE ECG. WE BELIEVE THE US AND OTHER ECG MEMBERS SHOULD STRIVE FOR A MIX OF BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL COOPERATIVE R&D ACCORDS.

BEFORE SIGNING THE AGREEMENT WITH THE JAPANESE, WE WILL NOTIFY THE EUROPEAN MEMBERS OF THE ECG'S COMMITTEE ON R&D, EXPRESS OUR VIEWS STATED ABOVE, AND ASSURE THEM THAT THIS BILATERAL AGREEMENT IN NO WAY DIMINISHES OUR DETERMINATION TO WORK IN THE ECG TO REACH MEANINGFUL MULTILATERAL R&D ARRANGEMENTS.

3. APPRECIATE EMBASSY EFFORTS TO TIE DOWN FINAL POINTS OF ENERGY R&D AGREEMENT AND BELIEVE WE CAN AGREE ON TEXT BASED ON THE FOLLOWING. WE ACCEPT GOJ FORMULATION FOR PREAMBLE LANGUAGE ON ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS. DEPART-MENT AND DOT HAVE CONSIDERED THREE OPTIONS RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION ITEM SUGGESTED BY GOJ. WE RECOGNIZE THAT WORDS "TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS" ARE SUFFICIENTLY BROAD THAT THEY MAY BE CONSTRUED AS GOING BEYOND OVERALL SCOPE OF AGREEMENT, WHICH IS R&D RELATED TO ENERGY. THIS IS NOT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

OUR INTENTIONN AND WE HAD ALWAYS ASSUMED THAT THESE WORDS WOULD BE INTERPRETED IN CONTEXT OF ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND ESPECIALLY PREAMBULAR LANGUAGE OF ARTICLE III, I.E., TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS AS THEY PERTAIN TO ENERGY MATTERS. THEREFORE DEPARTMENT AND DOT PREFERENCE CONTINUES TO BE FOR QUOTE TRANSPORATION SYSTEMS UNQUOTE BUT IF IT WOULD HELP SECURE GOJ APPROVAL, WE WOULD BE GLAD TO INCLUDE EXPLANATORY PHRASE SUCH AS QUOTE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS

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AS THESE PERTAIN TO EFFICIENT UTILIZATION OR CONVERSION OF ENERGY UNQUOTE. IN THIS REGARD, WE WOULD NOT RULE OUT TRANSFER OF ENERGY RELATED TOPICS OF US-JAPAN TRANSPORATION RESEARCH PANEL TO THE NEW AGREEMENT, ALTHOUGH WE CONSIDER IT UNNECESSARY TO DECIDE THIS ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER AT PRESENT TIME. IF GOJ UNPREPARED TO ACCEPT WITH THIS EXPLANATION QUOTE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS UNQUOTE,EITHER AS IS OR WITH CLARIFYING PHRASE SUCH AS SUGGESTED ABOVE, EMBASSY IS AUTHORIZED TO AGREE TO QUOTE ADVANCED PROPULSION SYSTEMS UNQUOTE MAKING IT CLEAR THAT USG PROGRAM IN THIS AREA IS RELATIVELY LIMITED AT PRESENT TIME, BUT THAT WE BELIEVE COOPERATION IN THE FIELD IS OF SUCH IMPORTANCE THAT IT MERITS SPECIFIC INCLUSION IN LIST. FYI: IN VIEW CURRENT GOJ TRANSPORTATION RESEARCH PROGRAM AND PAST RECORD OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN TRANSPORTATION AREA, WE WISH TO RETAIN SPECIFIC REFERENCE TO TRANSPORTATION IN AGREE-MENT BUT DO NOT WISH TO MISLEAD JAPANESE REGARDING LIMITED NATURE OF PRESENT US EFFORT IN HARDWARE FIELD. END FYI.

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